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## March Milk Production

Dairy herds in Indiana produced 358 million pounds of milk during March, up 4.4 percent from a year ago, according to Greg Matli, State Statistician of the USDA, NASS, Indiana Field Office. The daily rate per cow was 62.7 pounds, up 1.6 pounds from March 2015. The dairy herd was estimated at 184,000 head for March, up 3,000 head from a year earlier.

Milk production in the 23 major States during March totaled 17.2 billion pounds, up 1.8 percent from March 2015. The daily production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 64.3 pounds in March, 1.0 pound above March 2015. The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.64 million head, 19,000 head more than March 2015, and 9,000 head less than February 2016.

### Milk production, March

Commodity	Indiana			23 Major States		
	2014	2015	2016	2014	2015	2016
Cows .....1,000 Hd	176	181	184	8,530	8,623	8,642
Daily rate per cow .....Pounds	60.5	61.1	62.7	63.1	63.3	64.3
Production .....Mil lbs	330	343	358	16,690	16,918	17,220

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